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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION OF  
PATENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.322**

Sir:

Please issue a Certificate of Correction in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.322 to correct the errors in the patent as set forth hereinbelow and on the enclosed copy of Patent Office Form PTO-1050. Form PTO-1050 is attached hereto in duplicate with at least one copy being suitable for printing.

**IN THE TITLE:**

On the Cover Page and  
In Column 1, line 1,

now reads "ARTIFICIAL NAIL HAVING CLEAR  
NAIL BED PORTION AND FRENCH MANICURE"  
should read --ARTIFICIAL NAIL AND METHOD OF  
APPLYING SAME--;

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

In Column 2, line 54,

now reads "top coat easier 16"  
should read --top coat sealer 16--;

In Column 2, line 57,

now reads "trimmed and ed"  
should read --trimmed and filed--;

In Column 2, line 59,

now reads "embodiment of the sent"  
should read --embodiment of the present--;

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

In Claim 1

now reads "1. An artificial fingernail, comprising a nail body made from transparent material and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and adapted to be adhered to a natural fingernail to display substantially of the natural nail bed therethrough, all and said nail tip portion being painted with an opaque decoration that obscures a natural nail tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail."

should read --1. An artificial fingernail, comprising a nail body made from transparent material and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion and a dividing line between the nail bed portion and the nail tip portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and adapted to be adhered to a natural fingernail to display substantially all of the natural nail bed therethrough, and said nail tip portion being painted with an opaque decoration that obscures a natural nail tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail.--

In Claim 5

now reads "5. An artificial fingernail kit, comprising:  
  
at least ten artificial fingernails, each nail comprising a . nail body made from transparent plastic and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion and a dividing line between the nail bed portion and the nail tip

portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and adapted to be adhered to a natural fingernail to display substantially all of the natural nail bed to be visible therethrough, wherein said nail tip portion contains an opaque decoration painted thereon that obscures a natural nail tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail; and

a translucent pink adhesive, wherein the natural nail color is visible through the adhesive and artificial nail when the artificial nail is applied to a natural nail with the adhesive."

should read --5. An artificial fingernail kit, comprising:

at least ten artificial fingernails, each nail comprising a nail body made from transparent plastic and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion and a dividing line between the nail bed portion and the nail tip portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and adapted to be adhered to a natural fingernail to display substantially all of the natural nail bed therethrough, wherein said nail tip portion contains an opaque decoration painted thereon that obscures a natural nail tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail; and

a translucent pink adhesive, wherein the natural nail color is visible through the adhesive and artificial nail when the artificial nail is applied to a natural nail with the adhesive.--

In Claim 6

now reads "6. A method of applying artificial fingernails, comprising:

applying a translucent pink adhesive to an artificial nail, said artificial nail comprising a nail body made from

transparent material and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion and a dividing line between the nail bed portion and the nail tip portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and said nail tip portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and being painted with an opaque decoration that obscures a natural tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail, wherein said adhesive is applied to the nail bed portion only; and

placing the nail bed portion over a natural nail bed, such that the dividing line of the artificial nail is substantially aligned with the transition of the natural nail from bed to tip wherein the artificial nail adheres to the natural nail bed and the natural nail bed is visible through the adhesive and the nail bed portion of the artificial nail."

should read--6. A method of applying artificial fingernails, comprising:

applying a translucent pink adhesive to an artificial nail, said artificial nail comprising a nail body made from transparent material and having a nail bed portion and a nail tip portion and a dividing line between the nail bed portion and the nail tip portion that generally corresponds to the transition of a natural nail from bed to tip, the nail bed portion being entirely substantially clear and transparent and corresponding in size and shape to the nail bed of a natural fingernail, and said nail tip portion being painted with an opaque decoration that obscures a natural nail tip when said artificial fingernail is applied over a natural fingernail, wherein said adhesive is applied to the nail bed portion only; and

placing the nail bed portion over a natural nail bed, such that the dividing line of the artificial nail is substantially aligned with the transition of the natural nail from bed to tip wherein the artificial nail adheres to the natural nail bed to display substantially all of

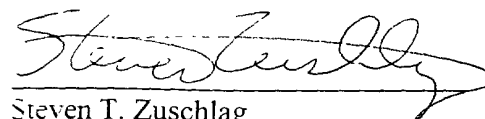
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the natural nail bed through the adhesive and the nail  
bed portion of the artificial nail.--

Applicant submits that the errors marked above occurred through no fault of the  
Applicant. Accordingly, no fee is due.

It is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued to correct the  
errors in the above-identified patent.

Respectfully submitted,



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